

Commissioners Meeting
October 1, 2013

Present: Al Logsdon, Mickey Toler, David Gogel, Chuck Painter, Tara Lloyd, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Jane Lynam

Meeting was called to order by President David Gogel at 8:16 A.M.

Minutes

Minutes from the September 17th meeting were read and corrections are as follows:
Under the Engineers Report the word hay needs to be changed to straw and under Legal Report the last sentence in the first paragraph needs to be struck. With these corrections Logsdon made a motion to approve the minutes. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

Claims

Toler made a motion to approve the COIT Claims for \$300,000. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.

Logsdon made the motion to approve the CEDIT claims in the amount of \$267,727.31. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

Toler made a motion to approve the regular claims in the amount of \$257,570.97. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.

Highway Report

Painter said they are getting bid specs together on highway supplies for 2014 so they can open bids on November 5th and award them on November 19th. Last year we discussed doing the rock bid differently; do we want to change the bid to have them deliver to different sites in the county? Logsdon said to have them bid it by the mile from their closest yard. Painter said they would be coming from the quarry, not the yard. Do you want to go ahead and open it up and have them bid on what they would charge to deliver to townships? Logsdon said to look at it and decide how it will benefit us the most. Have them haul it to a central location and then figure what additional cost you will incur to load it and see which one is the best bid. Painter asked on the fuel bid, do we want to continue as we have been doing, or do we want to go back to an open market? Logsdon said he felt it would be wise to ask for competitive bids; just do it the same as we have been doing.

Painter said they were planning to finish up with chip and seal in Mariah Hill today, move to Hatfield tomorrow and then CR 700 near Midway. When we get those done we will have everything done we had on our list. When we are finished I will run the numbers to see how much money we have used.

Engineers Report

Lloyd said the project on 300 E is finished and really looks nice. We are now waiting on Kevin Patmore to finish up the paperwork to have that stretch of road turned over to them.

Mike Lee talked to her about Bridge 253, she checked on it, and on one side the beam is starting to fall off, we have cones up, but we need to see if we can fix it or need to replace it. Lloyd will check into it further to make sure if it is safe or needs to be shut down completely. Toler asked Lloyd to get a list of the bridges that the BLA Engineers said needed work so they could look at them. Logsdon said we signed a contract with BLA to inspect our bridges, is this under their responsibility? Lloyd said it would fall under their responsibility. Logsdon said then I would expect them here ASAP at no additional cost to us to check that bridge and give their recommendation on it.

Lloyd asked if they wanted to act on the culvert policy or wait. Lindsey said it wouldn't go into effect until January 1st so he and Lloyd will look at it a little more before the Commissioners act on it.

Lloyd said she had checked on a couple of things that Gogel had asked about. Brewery Street in

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St. Meinrad has a 50 foot right-of-way so the sidewalks are on the county right-of-way. Gogel said the Smart Group from St. Meinrad had asked to have the sidewalks replaced because they were destroyed a few years ago. Lloyd said to meet ADA requirements we have some work to do there anyway so that repair could be incorporated with that. Lloyd and Painter will go look at it and see what can be done and report back at the next meeting.

Lloyd said the other thing she looked into was on County Road 1000 E, she spoke to Painter and he said that coming North off of 1400 we had maintained it, but we stopped, because it wasn't on our inventory. Gogel said he would tell Mr. Konerding to retain legal counsel and petition to vacate it and then they can do whatever they want.

Logsdon said he wanted Lloyd to work on finding a common road that we could use the additional MVH funds on and we can set down and discuss this when we discuss the bridge inspections. Logsdon made a motion that if in the professional opinion of the County Engineer and the Engineers from BLA Bridge 353 needed to be closed down they could go ahead and do it. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

Jane Stout-EMA

Stout explained that they wanted to raise the ambulance rates; they haven't been raised since 2010. The EMA Advisory Board asked for an increase in BLS from \$340 to \$430, ALS from \$475 to \$645, ALS2 from \$675 to \$790, and mileage from \$13 to \$17. These increases will not affect Medicare or Medicaid patients only people with private insurance. We are hoping to raise some extra revenue for the ambulance service to hopefully stay in the black. After much discussion Logsdon made a motion that when the Spencer County Ambulance Service provides service for residents of another county that we charge the rate that is being charged by the provider for that county so long as it is more than our regular rate. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved. Toler made a motion to accept the new rates raising the BLS rate to \$445, but keeping the proposed rates for ALS, ALS2 and mileage to take effect November 1, 2013. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented the Proposal from SIHO to amend our Summary Plan; he had checked with Carolyn Beck at SIHO, and with the ACA, non grandfathered plans required this to be adopted on the first renewal after the enactment of the ACA which was August 1st. Logsdon made a motion to adopt Amendment #2 for the Spencer County Health Insurance Program. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

True RX has also requested a similar type of revision dealing with prescriptions due to ACA. Logsdon made a motion to approve the request form from True RX to comply with ACA. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

New Business

Toler said he received an e-mail from Donna Etienne from the Health Department: they have received a grant and would like to purchase an electronic message board to be erected on the Courthouse lawn near Main Street. The Health Department was requesting permission from the Commissioners to purchase the sign and place it on the Courthouse lawn. Logsdon said to ask Etienne for alternative uses for the grant money, give her two weeks then have her on the agenda at the next meeting to let us know.

Logsdon said our Website is very outdated, maybe we could use that money to upgrade our County Website and put a link on there for Health news that would be available to our residents. Gogel explained that we needed to decide what we want to do about the Salt Building in Dale. They are asking for half the cost, \$16,000, to put a new roof on. Logsdon said to put it on the agenda for the next meeting and we can talk to Chuck about what would be best for us to do. The Commissioners wanted to acknowledge the recognition that Jack Kroeger had received by being named Councilman of the Year. Logsdon made a motion on behalf of the Commissioners to acknowledge the recognition that Jack Kroeger received being named Councilman of the Year by the AIC; this acknowledgement was due to the leadership he has exhibited with financial

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affairs in Spencer County Government and the AIC Legislative Committee. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

Auditor Lynam explained that due to the new employee in the Auditor's office we would require some training. Thomson Reuters has agreed to come here to do the training at a reduced rate of \$800.00 per day plus mileage, motel room cost and meals. Logsdon suggested having Mary Ward, the former employee, come in and do the training if she would be agreeable. After some discussion Logsdon made a motion to have the Auditor contact Mary Ward and see if she would come in and do training at \$60.00 an hour when needed. Toler seconded the motion, motion approved.

Toler made a motion to adjourn. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.
Meeting adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

President

Attest:

Auditor